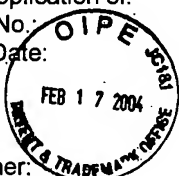


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: David L. Carnahan
Serial No.: 10/057,262
Filing Date: 01/25/2002
For: Nanoscale Grasping Device, Method For Fabricating
The Same, And Method For Operating The Same
Group: 2831
Examiner: Anton B. Harris
Attorney's Docket No.: NANO-1



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Applicant hereby petitions for a two (2) month extension of time to reply to the outstanding Office Action dated September 12, 2003, thereby extending the time for reply from December 12, 2003 to February 12, 2004.

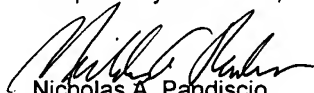
A check in the amount of \$210.00 is enclosed to cover the cost of the petition fee.

This fee has been calculated on the basis of small entity status.

In the event that any additional fees may be required in this matter, please charge the same, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-0221.

A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed for the convenience of the Office.

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